

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings of claims presented in the application.

Claim 1 (currently amended): A seatbelt guide device for a vehicle ~~an automobile~~ for guiding a seatbelt extracted from a retractor, comprising:

a ~~first main~~ rod ~~having with~~ a guide portion, formed as an arc-shaped portion of the first rod, for suspending and folding back the seatbelt, wherein one end of the first rod proximal to the guide portion is configured to be secured to a first portion of a body of the vehicle in proximity to the retractor, and wherein another end of the first rod distal from the guide portion is configured to be secured to a second portion of the body between the first portion and the retractor; and

~~an auxiliary~~ a second rod for dispersing a load applied to the ~~first main~~ rod;

wherein the second rod is secured to the guide portion and configured at one end to be secured to a third portion of the body in proximity to the second portion of the body ~~wherein the main rod and the auxiliary rod are restrained each other and secured to a vehicle body.~~

Claim 2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (currently amended): The seatbelt guide device according to claim 1, further comprising ~~other~~ a retaining rod for preventing from easily disconnecting a disconnection of the seatbelt from the guide portion.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The seatbelt guide device according to claim 1, further comprising ~~other~~ a cover for preventing from easily disconnecting a disconnection of the seatbelt from the guide portion.

Claims 5, 6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (currently amended): The seatbelt guide device according to claim 1, further comprising wherein:

~~the main rod has a first rod with the guide portion formed in an arc shape of a part of a rod-shaped member; the auxiliary rod has a second rod with one end secured to the inside of the guide portion and a third rod disposed in parallel with the first rod and coupled with the first rod by a support member;~~

wherein one end of the first rod on the guide portion side thereof and one end of the third rod is configured to be secured to the [[a]] first portion of the vehicle body confronting the retractor in the same way as the other end of the first rod and the other end of the third rod is configured to be secured to the [[a]] second portion of the vehicle body between the first portion and the retractor; and the other end of the second rod secured to a third portion of the vehicle body in the vicinity of the second portion.

Claim 8 (canceled).

Claim 9 (currently amended): The seatbelt guide device according to claim 1, wherein:

~~the main rod has a first rod with the guide portion formed in an arc shape of a part of a rod-shaped member;~~

~~the auxiliary rod has a second rod that is secured to the guide portion extends to a side of the guide portion to form which is fixedly secured to the inside of the guide portion and has a removal preventing portion formed of the open end thereof extending to a side of the guide portion for preventing the removal of the seatbelt from the guide portion[[;]]~~

~~one end of the first rod on the guide portion side thereof secured to a first portion of the vehicle body confronting the retractor in the same as the other end of the first rod secured to a second portion of the vehicle body between the first portion and the retractor; and the other end of the second rod secured to a third portion of the vehicle body in the vicinity of the second portion.~~

Claim 10 (currently amended): The seatbelt guide device according to claim 1, further comprising:

a bracket for securing at least one of the first ~~main~~ rod and the second ~~auxiliary~~ rod to the vehicle body.

Claim 11 (currently amended): The seatbelt guide device according to claim 1, wherein:
at least one of the first ~~main~~ rod and the second ~~auxiliary~~ rod has a flat-plate-shaped vehicle body attaching portion formed thereto for fixing the rod to the vehicle body.